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Hon. Bryant VanBrakle, Secretary  
Federal Maritime Commission  
800 North Capitol Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20573

RE: P6-03 (Petition of Sinotrans Container Lines Co., Ltd. for a Full Exemption from the First Sentence of Section 9(c) of the Shipping Act of 1984, as amended)

Dear Sir:

As permitted by the FMC Order served January 22, 2004, we comment on the request of Sinotrans Container Lines Co., Ltd. (Sinolines) to reduce its tariff rates immediately on filing, as other carriers are now permitted to do.

We support this request because it will help our business, and we think it is good for trade generally. We ship on condition from Shanghai to US. We occasionally have cargo which develops quickly and moves outside of a service contract. We are always interested in having several carriers compete for our business. However, it now takes thirty days for tariff rate decreases by Sinolines to be effective. This is too long for us to wait, so we cannot consider Sinolines for such business. If its Petition is granted, Sinolines will be able to compete for our business, and we will consider them in the future. We also think this increase in competition will be good for trade generally.

We thank the FMC for considering our comments.

Sincerely yours,  
SUZHOU SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO., LTD.

PRESIDENT Sungwoo Shin